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Sirs:

My name is bandit Gangwere. I have a child who has been attending AIMS@UNM, formerly High Tech High, a charter school in Albuquerque.

I sent you a letter dated 26 June 2007 informing you of violations of the Open Meetings Act by the Board of AIMS@UNM.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of **more** violations of the Open Meetings Act, regarding the AIMS Board meeting held on 5 July 2007.

Some background since my last letter: The APS Policy Committee held a meeting on 28 June 2007, at the APS building. At that meeting, APS determined that that AIMS board did not have a quorum to vote on the proposed charter changes, so they ordered the AIMS board to re-meet, with a quorum, and to inform the public of the meeting. They did not explicitly say the parents needed to be notified by email, but I had a chat with an APS board member shortly afterwards, and she assured me it should be an email to all of the parents.

The AIMS board meeting was held at the APS building on 5 July 2007. However:

- *A general email was **not** sent to the parents of all students at the school*
- Only selected parents and teachers were contacted
 - They are not part of the parents that have problems with the board and charter
 - They were allowed to speak at the meeting
 - Only two dissenting parents and two dissenting students were allowed to speak
- The only reason the dissenting parents knew about the meeting is the parent rep on the board had to be told.
- *The meeting location was changed from the new building to APS without notice*
- A single copy of the agenda was taped to the conference room window at APS. I do not know when it was taped to the window.
- Notices were not placed at the old or new school buildings as of early afternoon Tuesday, 3 July 2007. I personally went by both buildings to check if notices were posted.
- A small notice was on the AIMS website
 - It appears this notice was placed on 2 or 3 July 2007
 - You had to scroll down to see the notice
 - The website has not been updated for months.
 - There is little reason to look at the website because of summer vacation

I realize a single violation of the Open Meetings Act does not usually cause an investigation. Simple and honest mistakes should not result in criminal investigations.

However, I do think the above demonstrates a real trend of violating the Open Meetings Act. There is a general disregard of the law and ethics by certain members of the Board and of the principal. Please note these violations have been in the last week. I suggest this implies a conspiracy among certain Board members and the principal.

I have attached a letter I sent to the APS board right after the AIMS board meeting. It repeats much of what I detailed above, but I include it for the record.

I also include the Freedom of Information Act request I am going to attempt to give the AIMS board and principal at the APS Policy Committee meeting on 12 July 2007.

I will be happy to swear to anything I personally witnessed, and supply whatever documentation I have. Please note there is much more.

Yours truly,



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